

Afternoon Burning Continues

Late afternoon burning hours for backyard incinerators in the unincorporated area of the County of Los Angeles will be retained, according to action taken Tuesday by the Board of Supervisors.

The Board indicated that following reports of the Air Pollution Control District the present burning hours of 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. will continue to prevail in the unincorporated areas of the County, according to Supervisor Burton W. Chace.

afternoon burning hours, started last November, definitely pointed up the fact that the backyard incinerators are contributors to air pollution.

Chace and other Board members said they felt that retention of late afternoon hours would contribute materially to rapid dissipation of backyard incinerator fumes and materially lessen their contribution to air pollution particularly in the coming Spring and summer months.

Natives of Mansfield, Ohio, living in Torrance and the South Bay area, will meet for a picnic Sunday, February 20, at Miles Park in Huntington Park (corner Gage and Miles). The picnic starts at noon. Picnickers are asked to bring their own tables service and food.

RED CROSS VOLUNTEERS PLAN 'BLITZ'

The Red Cross blood, nursing and disaster services, for which Torrance has set a \$13,900 goal, will be brought into sharp focus next month as local volunteers plan to execute a "rapid, thorough course of campaign action—geared to all-out success."

Announcement of this year's goal along with charted fundraising plans for Torrance were revealed today in an official report from Albert Isen, area chairman.

"Blitz" Pace setters will be the residential volunteers, who, spurred on by the new slogan, "Red Cross serves you best," are preparing to stage a one-day "blitz" on Wednesday, March 2. "We are undertaking a gigantic task, one that must be matched by a gigantic volunteer force," emphasized Mrs. Grover Whyte, residential chairman, while urging Torrance residents to rally to present call for volunteers.

She said persons wishing to join the "blitz" group of volunteers may call the Red Cross campaign headquarters, 2345 Torrance boulevard, at FA. 8-0510.

The local one-day campaign will be one of a series to be conducted by 13 areas in the Southwest Red Cross organization during the first week in March. The new "blitz" program, a special feature of the 1955 campaign, was unanimously adopted by all residential leadership as the "fastest and most effective way" of achieving their respective goals.

Goals for other communities have been set as follows: Gardena, \$5500; Lomita-Harbor City, \$1350; Inglewood-Lennox, \$24,100; Palms Verdes-Rolling Hills, \$8400; South Bay, \$13,500; South Los Angeles, \$6700; Hawthorne, \$5100; Lawndale, \$1050; and El Segundo, \$7500. The Southwest area goal is \$88,000.

Man Guilty Of Illegal Contracting

Found guilty of contracting without a license, Lee Miller of 4732 West 173rd street was given a 90-day jail sentence, suspended, and placed on two years' probation last week by Judge John Shidler of the South Bay Municipal Court.

Miller was prosecuted by the Contractors' State License Board. Walter Dahielski, investigator for the Board, filed the complaint. He was aided in the investigation by Henry West, city building inspector.



—Photo Arts Photo

Maggie, Mad About Jazz, Gets Big Break With Trio

An attractive, lively blonde elementary teacher who plays the drums, accordion, cello, and bass, and who's been in love with jazz ever since she can remember, got the break of her life-time this week.

Maggie Chandler of 1328 Cordary was signed up for an unlimited engagement with the Bar of Music in Westchester, with other musical breaks already in the offing.

As is typical in the competitive musical field, Maggie had been auditioning without success for over a year before her big break came.

Drums, Bass Maggie, who played the drums for a long time, recently changed to bass and attributes her sudden success to that switch.

"I don't know why I did not realize this before," she declared, still excited over her good fortune. "But I guess the bass is really my instrument. The people I auditioned for just liked my style and I was in!" Maggie, who is married to Al Chandler, himself a teacher and musician, signed her new contract as part of a trio with whom she has been playing.

The trio, known as the Topper Trio, consists of Tracy Wells, vibra-harp, Ralph Blazie, guitarist, formerly with Stan Kenton's band, and Maggie, on the bass.

Life-Long Dream "All my life I've wanted to be a musician," Maggie reminisced. "I started out playing concert music. My cello teacher thought that I was the worst musician in the world and that my interpretation was all wrong. She didn't understand—I loved jazz and I felt everything in terms of jazz."

Maggie's mother, Parke Elston, herself an accomplished entertainer, always tried to discourage her daughter from following career in the entertainment world.

Compulsion "I just had it in me," Maggie reflected. "I just had to do it. If God hadn't wanted me, He wouldn't have given me the talent."

Several agents have shown interest in the trio since the lucky break and TV appearances are likely. Prior to Christmas, Maggie played in a picture being filmed by Martin and Lewis called "You're Never Too Young."

What does her husband think of all this? "He loves it," Maggie exclaimed. "He's thrilled to death. Though he's a musician, too, he's more interested in the study of music than the practice. He's the thinker in the family. Al is presently working on an administrative career."

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Experts To Address Fish Fanciers

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Gene Wolfshiemer, Southern California Ichthyologist, will present the slides, and Norman G. Hanlid of Long Beach, a manufacturer of subsand filters, will address the group. Door prizes will be a 5-gallon tank and filter.

Also at this meeting will be the final nominations for officers. All members are therefore urged to attend, and the public is also invited.

MERCHANTS TO PLAY SOUTH GATE

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